

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)

WASHINGTON

FAST FACTS

International students contributed an estimated **\$412.1 million** to the Washington economy in the 2009–2010 academic year.

Higher Learning

Washington is ranked **#11** in the U.S. for the number of international students in its colleges and universities.

1. University of Washington 2. Washington State University
3. Seattle Central Community College 4. Green River Community College 5. Edmonds Community College

Washington colleges and universities with the most foreign students.

1. China 2. South Korea 3. Japan 4. Vietnam 5. Hong Kong

Leading places of origin for foreign students in Washington during 2009–2010.



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1,038 citizen diplomats in Washington volunteered to host international students, scholars, and visitors in their homes and communities.

420 citizens of foreign countries participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in Washington.

263 Washingtonians participated in ECA's academic, youth, professional, and cultural exchange programs in foreign countries.

Notable ECA Alumni

Margaret (Meg) Greenfield

Pulitzer Prize for Editorial Writing, 1978 (*Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program* 1952)

James Arlington Wright

Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, 1972 (*Fulbright Fellowship* 1952)

Cathy McMorris Rodgers

U.S. Representative from Washington's 5th District, 2005–Present (*American Council of Young Political Leaders* 1988)

Gunther Schuller

Pulitzer Prize for Music, 1994; Artistic Director for the Northwest Bach Festival in Spokane (*Short Term American Grant Speakers* 1966; 1964; *Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program* 1971)

Carolyn Ashley Kizer

Pulitzer Prize for Poetry, 1985 (*Short Term American Grant Speakers* 1965)

Dale Chihuly

Co-founder of the Pilchuck Glass School in Washington (*Fulbright Fellowship* 1968)